

SATURDAY, MARCH 18, 1893.

—Colorado potatoes at H. Schultz.  
—I. L. McGarvie is reported quite ill.

—The finest line of dried fruits in town at Bestor's.  
—Fresh pork and sausage always on hand at Baker's.

—Metz & Gibson have a new "ad" this week. Read it.

—Lewis Welch has been very sick with pneumonia this week.

—Pure buckwheat flour, four cents per pound, at Verbeck's.

—Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Hinshaw were both quite ill last week.

—The very best Maple Syrup at \$1.10 per gallon at Verbeck's.

—The celebrated Sunlight flour at Verbeck's. Try one sack.

—E. G. Arnold, of Lyman, Colorado, was a visitor last Saturday.

—Baker pays the top price for fat cattle and hogs; also for hides.

—Fresh oysters at Baker's in bulk at the old price—50c per quart.

—Fred Halbleib, of Riverside, made application to prove up last Saturday.

—Frank Walker, of the Saline, has been visiting in Illinois for several weeks.

—C. C. Bestor is sole agent for Choctaw Cream Coffee—the best on earth.

—W. F. Stranahan and Joseph Brown, of Collyer, were in town last Saturday.

—California canned, and evaporated fruits of all kinds: new crop—at H. Schultz.

—Capt. D. Foutz, of Collyer, was in Wa-Keeney between trains last Monday evening.

—Squire Fidler, of Glenora, was in Wa-Keeney last Saturday, for the first time within the past year.

—The largest stock of boots and shoes in western Kansas—and the lowest prices—at Verbeck's.

—Never go to security for a man who doesn't take his county paper and who keeps more than one dog.

—To trade a good, comfortable five room house and two lots in Wa-Keeney, for land, horses or cattle.—W. E. Saum.

—The Goodland *Dark Horse* still gives the name of John Schlyer as receiver of the U. S. land office at Wa-Keeney.

—Do not borrow money on your land until you call and get my rates. I have money for Trego county loans. W. E. Saum.

—Overcoats! I will close them out at prices you never saw before. Now is your time to buy if you want bargains. At Verbeck's.

—You can buy a better pair of shoes for less money at Bestor's than any place west of Kansas City.

—L. Larson, one of our esteemed subscribers from Collyer, settled up old scores and placed his subscription ahead last Saturday.

—All wool scarlet blankets \$3.25. You never saw such bargains in the city! We mean business. They will go sure and fast. Old price \$4.00.

—A. B. Mumert wishes to inform everybody that he is now doing blacksmithing of all kinds at his shop south of the railroad. He guarantees all work.

—I have a number of smooth quarters of land, located from one to three miles of Collyer, Kansas, that I can sell at \$5 per acre.—W. E. Saum. 3-4 ft.

—For sale—relinquishment to one of the finest homesteads in this county, three miles from station, small frame house, good well, ten acres in cultivation. Price \$325. Inquire at this office. ft

—John A. Nelson will occupy the building west of the barber shop and immediately opposite the World office. He has concluded not to rebuild—at least for the present.

—Considering location and improvements, the quarter section adjoining Collyer on the north, known as the Chase property, is certainly a bargain. For further particulars inquire at this office. ft

—O. J. Benjamin, of the *People's Voice*, Sharon Springs, was a caller last Monday. He had been visiting his sister, Mrs. Blanchard, who lives a few miles south of town.

—The W. C. T. U. gave an entertainment at the M. E. church last Friday evening, which was fairly well attended. The exercises were all very good, but a little tedious towards the last.

—There will be meeting at the Friends church in Wa-Keeney, Saturday, March 18th, at 2 o'clock p. m. Rev. J. N. Jones will preach at the Wilcox school house on Sunday, March 19th, at 11 a. m.

—C. W. F. Street wishes to thank all his friends for their kindness and assistance rendered during and after the fire. He is now located in the Kershaw building and expects to carry a full stock, which he will sell as low as can be sold. He cordially invites his old customers to call and see him.

—Our highly esteemed, though greatly erring contemporary, has a leader this week on the "black out, white out and terms out" which "out" to be embalmed, stuffed—or at least salted down—and sent to the World's fair, "the origin of which will probably never be known."

—Pan-cake drip syrup at Bestor's, 2t.  
—Baker kills nothing but corn-fed beef.

—Try a can of Bestor's Standard Tea. Bargains at Verbeck's for a short time.

—Fresh fish every Thursday at Baker's.

—Verbeck's for bargains; a few days only.

—Piano for sale—inquire of Mrs. F. S. Diebold.

—A slight snow—very slight—Thursday morning.

—Dress goods at Verbeck's at prices never offered before.

—Country sorghum, 30c per gallon at Bestor's. Rear of land office. 3-18 2t

—If you want a loan on your land call on Trego County bank. 12 24 ft.

—C. C. Bestor is sole agent for the celebrated Platf canned goods. ft

—Bargains at Bestor's, not for a few days only, but at all times. 3 18 2t

—C. C. Bestor wishes to thank all who rendered him assistance during the fire.

—Mrs. M. Hutzler returned home from a several week's visit last Tuesday morning.

—Look at the bargains at Verbeck's. Bed quilts cheaper than you can make them.

—Dr. L. M. Gibson and Mrs. Gibson, of Hays City, visited in Wa-Keeney last Monday.

—Look at our bargain counter! It will do you good. We mean what we say. At Verbeck's.

—Several members of the I. O. O. F. expect to go to Ellis soon to take the encampment degrees.

—J. V. Gilman's barn, on his farm four miles west of town, was burned last Wednesday evening.

—Miss Stella Sigler gave a party, last Wednesday evening, to about a dozen of her young friends.

—C. C. Bestor has stocked up with new goods and will move into the room now occupied by the U. S. land office on April 1st. 3 18 2t

—The nicest all wool blanket you ever saw, at Verbeck's, for \$5. Old price \$6. Ask to see our \$5.50 blanket. All wool. Old price \$6.50.

—Last Sunday was one of the most intensely disagreeable days, on account of the wind, that we have ever seen in Kansas.

—Bargains in cloaks at Verbeck's. Only a few left. If you want a bargain now is the time to buy. They are marked away low down.

—C. C. Bestor is temporarily located in the room at rear of U. S. land office, where he hopes to see all his friends and customers. 3-18 2t

—Dr. E. L. Hutchinson will be at his dental rooms on Monday, March 20, and remain during the week. He will then go to Ellis where he will spend each alternate week.

—Outside of the Moe family there have been no new cases of scarlet fever reported. The disease is confined to one house and the chances are it will not spread.

—Don't forget to register! Every voter should do his duty! Turn the boulders down! Register! Register! This is what we find in the columns of our daily papers in view of the approaching City elections.

—For sale—Block 86, comprising 20 lots 50 to 150 feet to alley, in Wa-Keeney, Kansas, south side of railroad. No encumbrances—all taxes paid—title perfect—warranty deed. Offer wanted. C. G. Conover, 1731 F street N. W., Washington, D. C.

—It is a little late, but we have just heard a good one on the receiver's chief clerk in connection with the fire. During the excitement, it is said by eye witnesses, that he carefully picked up one of Jones & Gibson's 1892 almanacs and tenderly conveyed it across the street to a place of safety.

—The Rev. A. T. Ahler, of Hays City, will preach at the Presbyterian church on Thursday evening, March 23, at 7 o'clock, and will also preside at a congregational meeting to be held immediately after the sermon. All are invited to attend, especially the members of the church and congregation, for the later service, to ratify the call of Rev. Bracken.

—We don't represent any insurance companies and hence our advice at least has the merit of being disinterested when we advise everybody to insure. A business that does not justify the additional expense of insurance had better not be followed, especially when you run the risk every day of your lives of being left without a business and unable to begin again.

—Report of school in district No. 7: Number of pupils enrolled for the month ending February 24, 14; average daily attendance, 10; pupils neither absent nor tardy—Ethel Rule and Roy Rule; pupils 90 or over in scholarship and deportment—Della Jones, Ethel Rule, Myrtle Fuller, Clyde McKnight, Leo Riggs, Roy Rule, Roy Riggs, Jessie Martin and Blanche McKnight. Number of visitors, 4. Carrie M. Sweet, teacher.

—John Charvat, we are informed, is the Western Union operator at Ellis. This is a responsible position, his duties, in part, being to transfer all Associated Press dispatches, and the pay is commensurate with the work. John is a Wa-Keeney boy, only about 18 years old, and is another example of what boys may do when they apply themselves diligently to their work instead of loafing about the streets and smoking cigarettes.

—Congressman Harris, who is good authority, says that republican postmasters will be allowed to hold out their term of office. This would give Judge Harlan, "which is postmaster" until about a year from now in which to arrange to vacate.

—A. E. Sigler has the contract for the carpenter work on the room to be occupied by the land office force, and Willis Jackson will do the plastering. As the work progresses it becomes more apparent than ever that a better place could not possibly have been selected.

—Yes, we all know him, and it didn't require a photograph for identification either. Even the small boys recognized it, and it pleased our patrons so that we sold nearly 200 extra copies, which is equivalent to saying that our circulation, last week, was a few hundred over 4,000. Yes, our "masheen" is in good order and, if occasion requires it, we can furnish it in unlimited quantities as the subject matter doesn't begin to be exhausted—if the subject himself is.

—Died—at the home of her son Wm Hoobler, at Wilcox, Kansas, March 11, at 10 o'clock p. m.—Mary Hoobler, wife of Jacob Hoobler, aged 86 years and 26 days. Mary Hoobler was born February 13, 1807, in Rockbridge county, Virginia, and was married February 19, 1829. She united with the United Brethren church in 1828 and has lived a consistent Christian life ever since and died rejoicing in the love of her Redeemer. The remains will be taken to her former home in Livingston county, Illinois, for interment, accompanied by her aged husband and son John, who came here for that purpose. Their daughter, Mrs. Mary Anderson, of St. Mary, Kansas, will also accompany them. The friends have the sympathy of the entire community in their bereavement.

—We regret very much to announce that Mrs. M. Benedict and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Benedict have decided to leave Wa-Keeney. Mrs. M. Benedict and Charlie are among our oldest settlers, having resided in Wa-Keeney almost from the start, but the fire destroyed their business property and they do not feel justified in rebuilding. Charlie has not yet fully decided what he will do. He has had several offers of situations and, as he is a rustler, he will soon obtain remunerative employment. His wife goes to Kearney, Nebraska, where she has a situation in a millinery store. His mother will go with her. We wish for them all the most unbounded success wherever they may be and cannot help from expressing the wish that they may sometime, in the near future, drift back to Wa-Keeney.

—Henry Hille had 350 cattle in a pasture along the line of the fire last Sunday. When the fire struck the enclosure the cattle, of course, all ran to the other side; but it was only a few moments until the flames were almost upon them again. What to do! was the question and not much time to consider. On one side was a strong barbed-wire fence. On the other the fierce red flames were licking up everything before them. "Their's but to do or die," and a bold break for liberty was made by the three hundred—and won. They faced the fire and by a common impulse they started towards it, passed through it and came out on the other side with but little injury. Those who witnessed the sight say it was grand. It was like a cavalry charge and the earth fairly trembled as the cattle made their brave strike for their lives.

—No, we don't expect to please everybody, all the time. At times we find it difficult to please ourselves and, as critics, we are certainly supposed to be partial. There are too many varieties of temperament and disposition for one editor to please everybody. All do not take newspapers—we are speaking now more particularly of the local newspaper—with the same primary object. Notice, as we have done, when the paper is first opened. One turns first to the stories—that always makes us weary—another to the local page, and still another to the editorial, while a fourth, perhaps, cares but little for anything contained therein outside of the grain and stock market. Some like something funny, others think a little levity is entirely out of place and a sure sign of weakness, forgetting that "a little nonsense now and then is relished by the wisest men." With this great diversity of taste and opinion existing among our subscribers it is sometimes difficult for the editor to know just what line to pursue, and if he pursues any one line to the entire exclusion of the others, he is sure to fail in his efforts to interest the majority. Hereafter, dear reader, if you find something that to you seems uninteresting, remember that it may be exactly what your neighbor wants and you don't need to read it if you don't choose. All editors do their best and none of us pretend to be infallible. Be as lenient as you can in your castigations and criticisms. It is only the person who never tried it that is sure he could entertain everybody. And, finally, did it ever occur to you that you know a great many things by way of news that the editor cannot possibly find out and which would help to make your home paper interesting if you would only tell him? By so doing you would win his everlasting gratitude and assist him in his arduous task. Wouldn't this be very much better than fault finding? Try it once.

—March Matings.

—Married, at the residence of the bride's brother-in-law, George Fuller, in Collyer township, Trego county, Kansas, on March 15, 1893, Mr. Marshall Redmond and Miss Emma J. Boeler.

## ROLL OF HONOR.

Embracing Those Who Have Lived In Trego County for More Than 12 Years.—Reminiscences.

HUGH TIDBALL.

Hugh Tidball, of Collyer township, is one of the oldest settlers in the county, having come here in May, 1878. He, like all the other old settlers with whom we have conversed, thinks this country much better than when he came here and is well satisfied to remain. He says that in 1879 and 1880 there were several very destructive fires in his side of the county and the blue stem was so badly injured thereby that it did not recover for several years. Mr. Tidball has devoted his time and energies principally to stock raising and has been quite successful. He started with two milch cows and now has a herd of 70 head of cattle and 14 head of horses. He has also a half section of good land and has a ten-acre grove of the finest timber in the county. The most that he has made since coming here. He has never tried to raise much wheat, but has had good success with corn the last two years. Mr. Tidball served in the war of the rebellion for three and one-half years, and was wounded in the service with a piece of shell. He received his pension—\$12 a month—about a year ago. He is a member of Collyer Post, G. A. R. Mr. Tidball is one of our best citizens and is highly esteemed by all who know him.

A. SPENA.

A. Spena was born in Bohemia, Austria in 1838, and came to the United States in 1876, first stopping in Iowa, where he lived until 1878, when he came to Trego county and has resided here ever since. He lives in the Banner neighborhood about 12 miles southwest of Wa-Keeney and is very comfortably located on a well improved farm. He owns three quarter sections of land, has 125 head of cattle, 11 head of horses, any quantity of farm machinery and has no mortgages on any of it. Nearly all of this he has made in this county and principally by stock raising. He had a little money when he first came, but the first two years were quite dry and it was exhausted. Every dollar he could get he invested in calves and by pursuing that method he is now very comfortably fixed. Mr. Spena says he "thinks he will live in Trego county forever," and we hope that he may, as he is an honest, intelligent citizen and we have plenty of room for more just like him.

—The highest market price paid for good butter and eggs at all times by H. SCHULTZ.

Adair's New Postoffice—An Omission.

In reading the "Origin of Trego county's Geographical names," in last week's *World*, I notice an omission and think it might be in order to state what is not generally known—that Trego county has, since Jan. 1, 1893, had another postoffice.

This is the only post-office in Adair precinct and is located on sec. 24-11-21.

This office was established in the late 70's, in Ellis county, two or three months before the order for the establishment of the mail route took effect.

A Mr. Eaton—brother of Frank Eaton who is a resident of this township—was appointed postmaster and H. M. Hallock, assistant, and the name adopted—suggested by a friend—was the first half of one and the last half of the other of their two names. Halton Eaton became tired of having the supplies around and turned all over to the assistant, who was afterward appointed before the first mail arrived.

The slight difference in the name between it and Holton caused the postoffice authorities to ask the postmaster to suggest a new one. He proposed the name of the office near where he formerly lived in Illinois—Mendota—and it was approved by the department and is the name it now bears.

Mr. Hallock resigned and moved over into Trego county seven or eight years ago, and the office changed hands several times, until the first of last January it was again placed with him, when he moved it to his house, bringing it across the county line, so that it now reads Mendota, Trego county, Kansas.

L. U. NATIC.

## Fierce Flames.

The prairie fire which originated last Sunday about 15 miles north and one mile west of Wa-Keeney was one of the most destructive with which this section has ever been visited. It is supposed that the fire was caused by a spark from a chimney. The wind was high and the grass very dry and the fire was soon beyond control. Several houses and stables were destroyed and great quantities of feed.

George Burns, well known in Wa-Keeney, tried to save a house by back-firing around it and succeeded. He became excited as the fire approached him and, instead of remaining at the house where he would have been safe, he tried to escape and in his efforts was horribly burned.

It is reported that a man was found in the neighborhood of Palco, on the prairie, burned to death and so badly disfigured that he could not be identified.

The fire burned all Sunday night and as far east and south as Ellis county and it did great damage all along its path.

Later: Mr. Burns died last Wednesday. It is reported that seven men perished in the flames in Russell county. This was a continuation of the same fire that started in Graham county on Sunday at Palco, in Books county, one man was so badly burned that he died, and another is not expected to recover.

## Early History of Collyer.

It appears that some mistakes were made by your compositor in the "Early History of Collyer." Dr. George Nealey was an active member of the colony, was elected representative, and afterwards removed to Lansing, Kansas, to fill the position of surgeon in the state's prison. Soldiers represented by mistake as not belonging to the colony were: D. W. Davis, L. LeBaras, J. Miller, George Richards, N. W. Sawtelle, B. Bartlett, Wm. Hastings was a soldier, but not a member of the colony. H. Ehrich was a member of the colony, but not a soldier. Prof. A. B. Baker is professor of zoology instead of geology.

I will say here that Prof. Harlan was right as far as he went. Dr. Collyer does supply the G. A. R. with literature. The only thing sent expressly for the G. A. R. is General Grant's memoirs in the front of which is inscribed by Dr. Collyer: "From Robert Collyer With Love to the Veteran." All the others are sent to me for free circulation. I make this statement that all who wish to read them may know they are at their service.

NELLIE DAVIS.

## MIDWAY SCRAPS.

MIDWAY, March 7, 1893.

Spring-like the last few days.  
John Briggs, Sr., is putting in rye.

Meadow larks have put in their appearance.  
George Miller lost a good horse last Friday night.

Jim Hickman treated himself to a riding plow last week.

The literary at Banner last Thursday eve was well attended.

George Fuller is plastering Mr. Redmond's house this week.

C. F. Hawkes bought a span of fine mares last week of A. B. Redmond.

It is reported that there will be a dance at F. Riggs' house next Friday evening.

M. Redmond is about ready to go to keeping back. He would like to have a cook.

Mr. Glen's wife returned home on the 8th inst. and they immediately went to housekeeping on his claim on section 34, township 12, range 25.

JACK.

## BANNER DOINGS.

BANNER, March 11, 1893.

D. V. Plant's youngest child is very sick.  
Mr. Riggs and family will move to Quinter soon.

Mr. North has taken some of Mr. Hille's cattle to herd.  
The neighbors have baled their broom corn. There were about six tons.

Mrs. C. Riggs is at home again. The neighbors are glad to welcome her back.  
Willard Rule and family will move to their school land on the Downer when school closes.

Mr. Wright bought Will Kough's place and says he will be here in time to sow wheat in the fall.

Willis Cronk and family will move to Collyer soon. He will work in Mr. Myer's blacksmith shop.

Some of the members of the Downer and Fairview literaries attended the Banner literary last Thursday eve.

Mr. and Mrs. D. McKnight went to Wa-Keeney Saturday, then drove to Prof. Harlan's, made a short visit and returned home Sunday.

SILVER CREEK HAPPENINGS.

SILVER CREEK, March 11, 1893.

Beautiful weather the past week.  
Kinney Rich went to Ellis Friday.

Alex Harvey is working for Ben Rich. J. Balcomb has traded for a chopping mill.

A. McBride was drilling in barley yesterday.

Phil McCarthy is back in Trego county again.

Mr. McDonald is boasting of a new set of harness.

Mr. Balcomb is doing a good deal of blacksmithing lately.

Warren George bought a team of horses at Mrs. Hull's sale.

Mrs. Rich has returned from Topeka and Mr. Rich is expected home soon.

A. V. Hixon while burning county fire guards in some way left some fire which started up and got in the grass causing some hard fighting before it was put out.

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## MIDWAY SCRAPS.

MIDWAY, March 14, 1893.

Cold with high wind.  
Farmers are sowing barley.

C. B. Erb made final proof on his claim last Saturday.

John Glen bought a relinquishment of a timber claim of D. V. Plants last week and homesteaded the same.

It is said that F. M. Miller has purchased a quarter of school land of A. W. Purinton on 36-13-25.

Mr. Redmond has got his house completed and will go to keeping house in a few days. He expects to break considerable this summer.

Miss Laura Briggs entertained a number of her old and young friends last Friday evening—the occasion being her 15th birthday. A good time was had.

JACK.

## Teacher's Meeting.

The following is the programme of the Teacher's meeting to be held March 25, 1893:

Paper—"Review of Ben Hur"..... Miss Neuenchwander

Paper—"Review of Barriar's Burned Away"..... Mrs. Hunt

Paper—"Review of Hoosier Schoolmaster"..... Miss Carrie Davis

Select Reading from "Innocents Abroad"..... Miss Woodson

Select Reading from "Pickwick Papers"..... H. Harlan

Essay—"Philosophy of Communism"..... C. W. Lavery

## OFFICIAL DIRECTORY.

## County.

Representative..... A. H. Blair  
County Clerk..... C. A. Hoar  
Treasurer..... C. J. Marshall  
Register of Deeds..... G. W. Cross  
County Superintendent..... W. E. Saum  
County Attorney..... W. E. Saum  
Sheriff..... J. J. Davis  
Probate Judge..... J. M. Welch  
Clerk District Court..... A. W. Nuts  
County Sec'y..... C. J. Ferris  
Coroner..... A. F. Lawrence  
Commissioners: First District..... L. Warner  
Second District..... W. B. Cypher  
Third District..... Chas. H. Neff

## City.

Mayor..... W. E. Saum.  
Geo. Baker  
Councilmen..... J. H. March  
..... A. J. Davis  
..... H. Schultz  
Police Judge..... F. S. Diebold  
Marshal..... O. F. Cheney

## SOCIETIES.

A. F. & A. M.—Wa-Keeney Lodge No. 148, meets every second and fourth Monday evening at Masonic Hall, in Opera Block.  
W. H. DANN, Sec'y. SCHULTZ OFF, W. M.

O. U. W.—Wa-Keeney Lodge No. 200, meets every first and third Tuesday evenings of each month at Masonic Hall.  
W. E. SAUM, Rec. F. H. BURNHAM, W. M.

I. O. O. F.—Wa-Keeney Lodge No. 304, meets every Wednesday evening at Masonic Hall. Transient brethren cordially invited.  
W. G. MARSHALL, Sec'y. C. C. BESTOR, N. G.

G. A. R.—Captain Trego Post No. 197, meets in the evening of the 2nd Saturday of each month at Masonic Hall.  
J. C. MARTIN, Adj. J. ESCHER, Com.

W. R. C.—Captain Trego, No. 140, meets every second and fourth Tuesday evenings of each month at Masonic Hall.  
Mrs. E. A. REA, Sec'y. Mrs. L. SCHMITZ, President.